IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.S.RADHAKRISHNAN
&
THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE T.R.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR

TUESDAY, THE 27TH NOVEMBER 2007 / 6TH AGRAHAYANA 1929

DBA.No. 83 of 2007()

PETITIONER :

TRAVANCORE DEVASWOM BOARD,
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

BY ADV. SRI.U.K.RAMAKRISHNAN, SC, TDB
SMT.P.VIJAYAMMA
SRI.V.KRISHNA MENON

RESPONDENTS:

STATE OF KERALA REPRESENTED BY ITS
CHIEF SECRETARY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SRI.BENNY GERVACIS

THIS DEVASWOM BOARD APPLICATION HAVING BEEN FINALLY HEARD ON 27/11/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY PASSED THE FOLLOWING:

K.S.RADHAKRISHNAN & T.R.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR, JJ.

D.B.A.No.83 OF 2007

Dated this the 27th day of November, 2007

JUDGMENT

Radhakrishnan, J.

This is an application filed by the Travancore Devaswom Board, praying that sanction may be granted to pay a sum of Rs. 25,00,000/- (Rupees twenty five lakhs) to the respondent herein towards payment of TA/DA to the doctors and employees of the Health Department who are posted on special duty at Sabarimala during the festival season, 1183 M.E. In the statement filed on behalf of the Chief Secretary to Government, it is stated that during the last year the state had to incur Rs. 21,75,000/-. This year they are demanding Rs. 40lakhs. The state is benefited by the inflow of devotees by way of tax and other benefits. Therefore the state may think of meeting atleast a portion of the expenses they have to meet to look after the interest of the devotees at Sabarimala. With the above observation, the appeal is allowed.

K.S.RADHAKRISHNAN
JUDGE

T.R.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR
JUDGE

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